Charles County in the Said province upon ffryday the Sixth day of Liber CD November in the three and fortieth year of ye Domin." of Cæcilius Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Provinces of maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c Annog Domini 1674 before us Henry Adams & Robert Carvile Gent by virtue of a writt of mandamus issued out of his Laps high Court of Chancery to this Inquisition Annexed to us and to Robert Henly Gent or any two of us directed by the Oaths of Rob.t Robins Owen Jones Kenelm Mackloghlin Ben.t marchegay Alexand. Gallant Thomas Wytter Jn.º Woodward John Bush William ffairecloth, Cornelius Mackernon, Thomas Craxon and Samuell Sherrell who upon their Oaths Say as followeth viz.t

That William Lewis Comonly Called Lieu. t W.m Lewis of Charles Co.ty was not to the knowledge of any the afores.d Jurors in his life time or at the time of his Death Seized or in Actuall possession of any Lands or Tenem. ts in the S.d County of Charles Co.ty but they Say that the Said William Lewis having Right to three thousand acres of Land in the Said province two thousand thereof by a Sp.11 warrant from the Right Hon. ble the Lord Proprietor & the other one thousand acres Residue of the Said three thousand acres by Severall assignm. ts & other Rights to him due as appears to us by the Copy of the Records Extracted out of the Secretarys office to the Said Jurors now produced did about the Twentieth of August 1653 or 1654 procure a warr.t for the Surveying of him the S.d Lieuten. William Lewis in any part of the S.d province three thousand acres of Land not formerly taken up or Reserved for his Lordship's use & accordingly Rob.t Clarke Gent Survey. Generall did the Eight of September 1654 return his Certif. of Survey into the Said (fol. 147) Secretaries office that he had laid out for the Said Lieuten. William Lewis a Tract of Land Called Rice manno. Lying on the North Side of Potomock River & on the South Side of a Creek Called Nangemy Creek now Avon River Containing three thousand acres be the Same more or Less w.ch Said Land Called Rice manno.r was & Still is Comonly Called by the name of Lewis Neck

And the Said Jurors do further upon their Oaths Say that before the Sd Lands were patented to wit in march 1655 the Sd Lieu. W.m Lewis dyed and that after his Death the s.d three thousand acres of Land was by ord." of the then Prov. "Co." in the year 1659 by Grant under the privy Seale of this province Leased to Edward Prescot p. 118 merchant for Satisfaction of a Debt of fourteen thousand three hundred fifty and five pounds Tob.º due to the S.ª Prescot and other the Creditors of the Said Lieu.t William Lewis for the Terme of ninety and nine years under the Rent of three pounds Sterling p Annum, But the S.d Jurors further upon their Oaths Say that the Said Edward Prescott nor any for him to the knowledge

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